

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants:	Max Aebi et al.	Confirmation No.:	4698
Application No.:	10/539,659		
Int'l Appln. No.:	PCT/CH02/00704	I.A. Filing Date:	December 17, 2002
For:	INTERVERTEBRAL IMPLANT WITH JOINT PARTS MOUNTED ON ROLLER BODIES	Attorney Docket:	8932-1179-999 (new) (formerly LUS-16089)

September 14, 2006

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

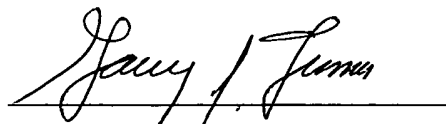
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Please extend the time for reply to the February 14, 2006 Notification Of Missing Requirements for a period of 5 months, from April 14, 2006 up to and including September 14, 2006.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$2,160.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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